GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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DG LEVEL MEETINGS WITH BANGLADESH/PAKISTAN
ASHOK NAMDEORAO MOHOL;CHANDRA NATH SINGH;NIVEDITA MANE;SADASHIVRAO DADOBA MANDLIK

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether DG level meetings of BSF-BDR have been held in the recent past;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of such meetings held during each of the last three years with Bangladesh and Pakistan; and

(d) the outcome of such meetings and the extent to which such meetings are able to help peace and check infiltration on the borders?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI)

(a)&(b): Yes Sir. DG Level Conferences are held between the DG, BSF and DG, BDR twice a year alternatively in India and Bangladesh.

(c): In the past three years, six rounds of DG Level Conferences three in India and three in Bangladesh have been held.With Pakistan, Biannual meetings are held in which DG Pak Rangers leads the Pakistan delegation and IG Level Officer of BSF leads the Indian delegation. In the past three years, three such meetings have been held.

(d): In these meetings, problems relating to guarding of borders are discussed. Emphasis has been towards better co-ordination and cooperation between two guarding forces so as to control trans-border crimes, infiltration and reduce tensions on account of border related problems. These meetings are useful to establish working relationship and for cordial resolution for day to day issues.